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TAGS: PINT, ECON, BL  
SUBJECT: BOLIVIAN ELECTIONS AND TIN SALES

REF: STATE 81744

1. YOUR PHONE CALL CAME THROUGH AT 11:55 AND I ARRIVED FOR MY MEETING WITH BANZER AT NOON. YOU WILL SEE IN MY FULL SEPARATE TELEGRAM HOW I TRIED TO DEAL WITH YOUR INSTRUCTIONS. WITHOUT PARAGRAPH 3 OF REFTEL, IT SEEMED TO ME THE STICK OF PARAGRAPH 4 HAD NO CARROT AT ALL AND THUS VIRTUALLY NO CHANCE REMAINED OF ACCOMPLISHING OUR OBJECTIVES REGARDING KEEPING US TIN POLICY OUT OF THE GOB'S PRIVATE AND PUBLIC DISCUSSION OF THE UPCOMING DECISION ON ELECTIONS.

2. IN AMPLIFYING PARAGRAPH 2C, AS YOU SUGGESTED, THEREFORE, I CHOOSE TO MAINTAIN SOME IMAGE OF AN OFFER, BUT WITH NO PRICE AND QUANTITY SPECIFICATION, BY SIMPLY CHALLENGING THE BOLIVIANS TO TELL US WHAT THEY THINK THEY NEED AND OFFERING TO DO OUR BEST TO MEET A LEGITIMATE BOLIVIAN NEED. THIS IS A SURREALIST PICTURE OF OUR CONSULTATION OBLIGATION BUT I BELIEVE ITS GENERALITY AND QUALIFICATIONS PROTECT US. I HOPE I HAVE NOT STRETCHED THE IMPORT OF OUR HURRIED CONVERSATION. AND THAT IF THE BOLIVIANS

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MEET THE CONDITION OF MAINTAINING THE ELECTION SHCHEDULE, WE CAN WORK TOWARD A REASONABLE EFFORT TO GO AS FAR AS POSSIBLE TO MEET A REASONABLE BOLIVIAN REQUEST.  
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